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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Conrad, *et al.*
SERIAL NUMBER : 09/490,700 EXAMINER : Not Yet Assigned
FILING DATE : January 24, 2000 ART UNIT : 1642
FOR : METHODS FOR DIAGNOSIS AND THERAPY OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE, SUCH AS
INSULIN DEPENDENT DIABETES MELLITUS, INVOLVING RETROVIRAL
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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This paper is in response to the final Office Action mailed April 24, 2003 in the above-identified application. With a one-month extension of time, these documents are due on or before Monday August 25, 2003 (August 24, 2003 being a Sunday). A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time, along with the appropriate fee, is submitted herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 23135-502.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.